

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance in view of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-14 are presently pending in this application and stand rejected. By this Amendment, claim 1 has been amended to recite that the lamp of the present application is a miniaturized having a light-emitting diode (LED) and that the miniaturized lamp is sized to facilitate maneuvering inside an engine compartment and around an air-conditioning system or refrigeration system. Specific support for these amendments can be found on page 12, lines 12-17, of the specification. Thus, no new matter has been added by these amendments.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

On pages 2-3, in numbered paragraph 2, of the Official Action, the Examiner maintains the rejection of claims 1-14 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kalley et al. (U.S. Patent 5,959,306)/Kalley (U.S. Patent 5,674,000) in view of German Patent Application DE 199 38 480 A1, Della Ciana et al. (U.S. Patent 6,136,612) and Pinkus et al. (U.S. Patent 5,608,213). In this rejection, it is the position of the Examiner that the combination of the

teachings of the cited references renders claims 1-14 obvious.

In response, Applicant has amended claim 1 to specifically recite that the lamp of the present application is a miniaturized lamp having a light-emitting diode (LED) and that the miniaturized lamp is sized to facilitate maneuvering inside an engine compartment and around an air-conditioning system or refrigeration system.

It is respectfully submitted that none of the cited references or combination of the teachings of the cited references discloses a miniaturized lamp equipped with a light-emitting diode (LED) where the lamp is sized to facilitate maneuvering inside an engine compartment and around an air-conditioning system or refrigeration system. It is, therefore, respectfully submitted that this rejection be withdrawn and that claims 1-14, as amended, be allowed.

The sole rejection having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

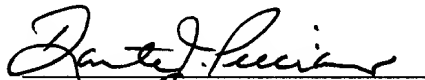
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Should any matters remain in this application which might be resolved by interview, the Examiners is requested to telephone the undersigned at 570-386-5744.

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